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SUBJ: TRAVEL BY POLISH SCIENTISTS IN CONNECTION WITH FLY  
AMERICAN ACT

REF: STATE 273535

1. SCIATT HAS RECEIVED ASSURANCES THAT THE POLISH  
ACADEMY OF SCIENCES TRAVEL OFFICE WILL HENCEFORTH  
OBSERVE CAREFULLY USG REGULATIONS ON TRAVEL BY AMERICAN  
CARRIERS. THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE AWARE, HOWEVER, THAT  
THERE ARE NOW ONLY TWO PANAM FLIGHTS A WEEK (WHICH  
ARRIVE IN WARSAW ON WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY, AND LEAVE  
WARSAW ON THURSDAY AND SATURDAY). CONCERNING THE  
SPECIFIC CASES CITED IN REF:

A) WE RECOMMEND THAT NSF INSTRUCT IHNATOWICZ TO CHANGE  
HIS RETURN TRAVEL TO PANAM. NSF MAY INFORM HIM THAT  
THE POLISH ACADEMY ENDORSES THAT INSTRUCTION.

B) FOR KRZYZANOWSKI AND MIKIELEWICZ, THERE IS NO PANAM  
FLIGHT ON SUNDAY, AS NOTED, AND THE NEXT FLIGHT FROM  
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WARSAW IS NOT UNTIL THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24. IT WOULD  
BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE, TO REARRANGE  
THEIR SCHEDULE AND APPOINTMENTS AT THIS LATE DATE.

2. CONCERNING THE GENERAL PROBLEM, WE ARE TAKING  
THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

A) THE EARLIER PRACTICE OF ADDING TO THE "TO WHOM" LETTERS A STATEMENT ABOUT THE NEED TO USE US CARRIERS, WHICH WAS APPARENTLY INADVERTENTLY DISCONTINUED SOME MONTHS AGO, HAS BEEN RESUMED.

B) TO REINFORCE THAT STATEMENT, THE SCIATT WILL ADDRESS A LETTER TO THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE (WALICKI), REPEATING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR USE OF US CARRIERS AND REQUESTING THAT ALL CONCERNED POLISH AGENCIES BE INFORMED.

C) FOR AT LEAST A SHORT PERIOD, WE WILL FOLLOW UP EACH "TO WHOM" LETTER WITH A PHONE CALL TO THE APPROPRIATE POLISH AGENCY, CALLING ATTENTION TO THE USG REQUIREMENTS.

D) SCIATT WILL CONTINUE A CONVERSATION BEGUN LAST WEEK WITH THE LOCAL PANAM REPRESENTATIVE ABOUT A METHOD TO MONITOR THE PURCHASE OF TICKETS, PERHAPS ON A SPOT-CHECK BASIS.

3. THE CONTINUED COOPERATION OF THE CONCERNED US AGENCIES WILL BE NEEDED TO ASSURE THAT THE SYSTEM WILL OPERATE SATISFACTORILY AND TO HELP KEEP THE ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN HERE WITHIN REASONABLE PROPORTIONS. SPECIFICALLY:

A) WE SHOULD BE INFORMED IF ANY OTHER CASES OF NON-USE OF US CARRIERS BECOME KNOWN, SO THAT WE CAN TRACE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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B) THE CONCERNED AGENCIES SHOULD KEEP IN MIND IN MIND THE PANAM SCHEDULE. WE WILL ASSUME THAT ANY AGENCY'S SUGGESTIONS OR AUTHORIZATION OF A SPECIFIC ITINERARY FOR POLISH TRAVELLERS SUPPORTED UNDER THEIR PROJECTS, WHEN THE US ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES ARE SPECIFIED, WILL HAVE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION THE QUESTION OF AVAILABILITY OF US CARRIERS. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE WILL ALSO ASSUME THE US AGENCIES, INCLUDING NSF, ARE PREPARED TO PAY (OR TO AUTHORIZE THE POLISH AGENCIES TO PAY FROM PROJECT BUDGETS) TO TO 48 HOURS' ADDITIONAL PER DIEM TO POLISH TRAVELLERS FOR DELAYS EN ROUTE TO FACILITATE THE USE OF AMERICAN CARRIERS.

C) THE CONCERNED AGENCIES MIGHT ALSO DOUBLE CHECK THAT THEIR BRANCHES OUTSIDE WASHINGTON AND CONTRACT PERSONNEL ARE FULLY INFORMED ABOUT THE TRAVEL REGULATIONS. RECENTLY, FOR EXAMPLE, IT CAME TO OUR ATTENTION THAT A US PROJECT LEADER HAD SUGGESTED TO HIS COUNTERPART THAT THE LATTER FLY LOT ACROSS THE ATLANTIC. THE POLISH AGENCY IN THAT CASE AGREED, OF COURSE, TO DISREGARD THE SUGGESTION.

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